

FIG. 2A

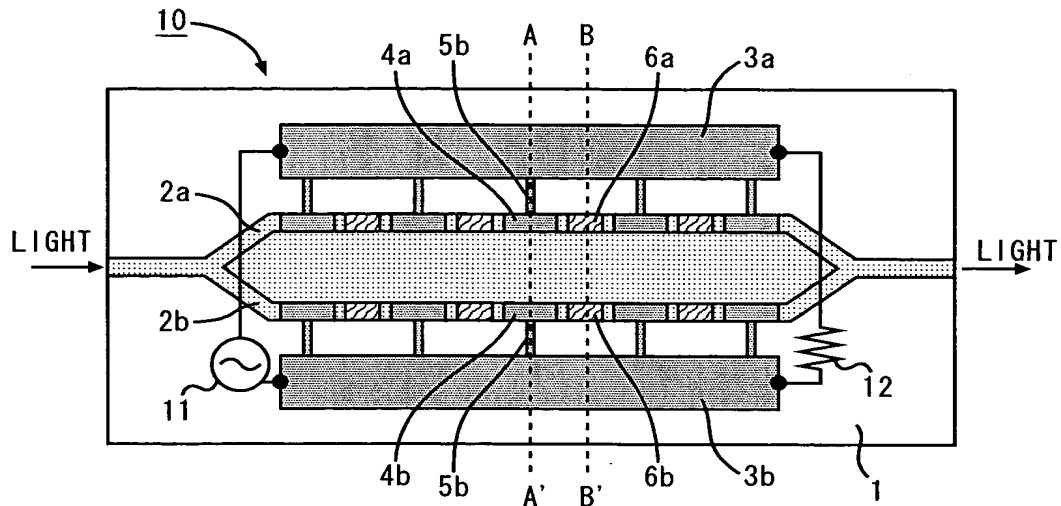


FIG. 2B

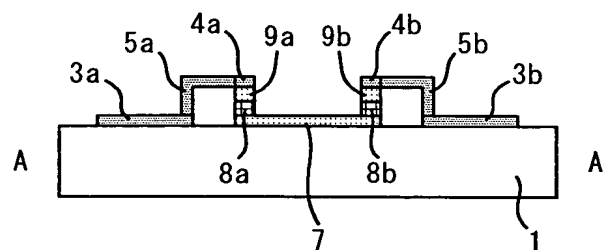


FIG. 2C

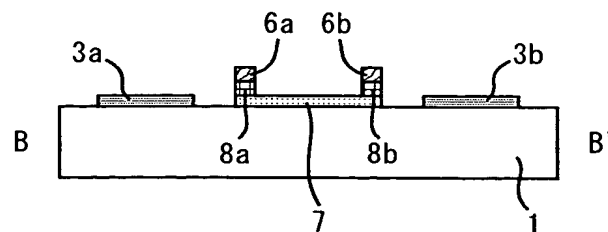
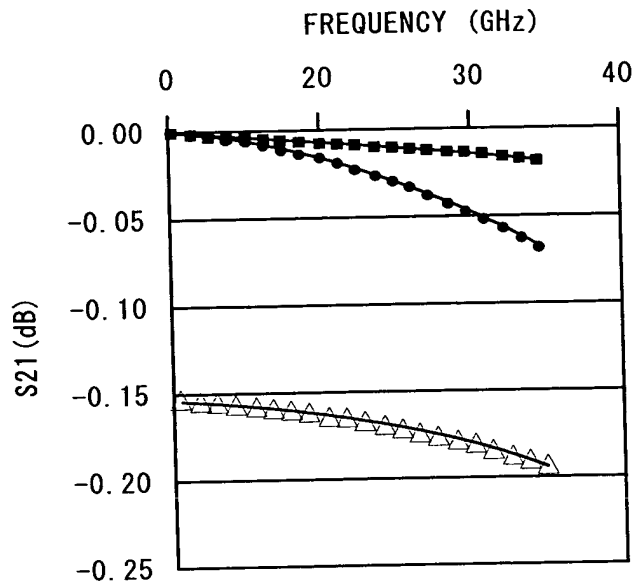


FIG. 3



- PRIOR ART 1
: WHERE AN UNIFORM UNDOPED
LAYER IS EMPLOYED AS UPPER
CLADDING LAYER
- △ PRIOR ART 2
WHERE AN UNIFORM CONDUCTIVE
LAYER IS EMPLOYED AS UPPER
CLADDING LAYER
- 1ST EMBODIMENT
WHERE AN ELECTRICALLY
SEGMENTED CONDUCTIVE LAYER
IS EMPLOYED AS UPPER
CLADDING LAYER

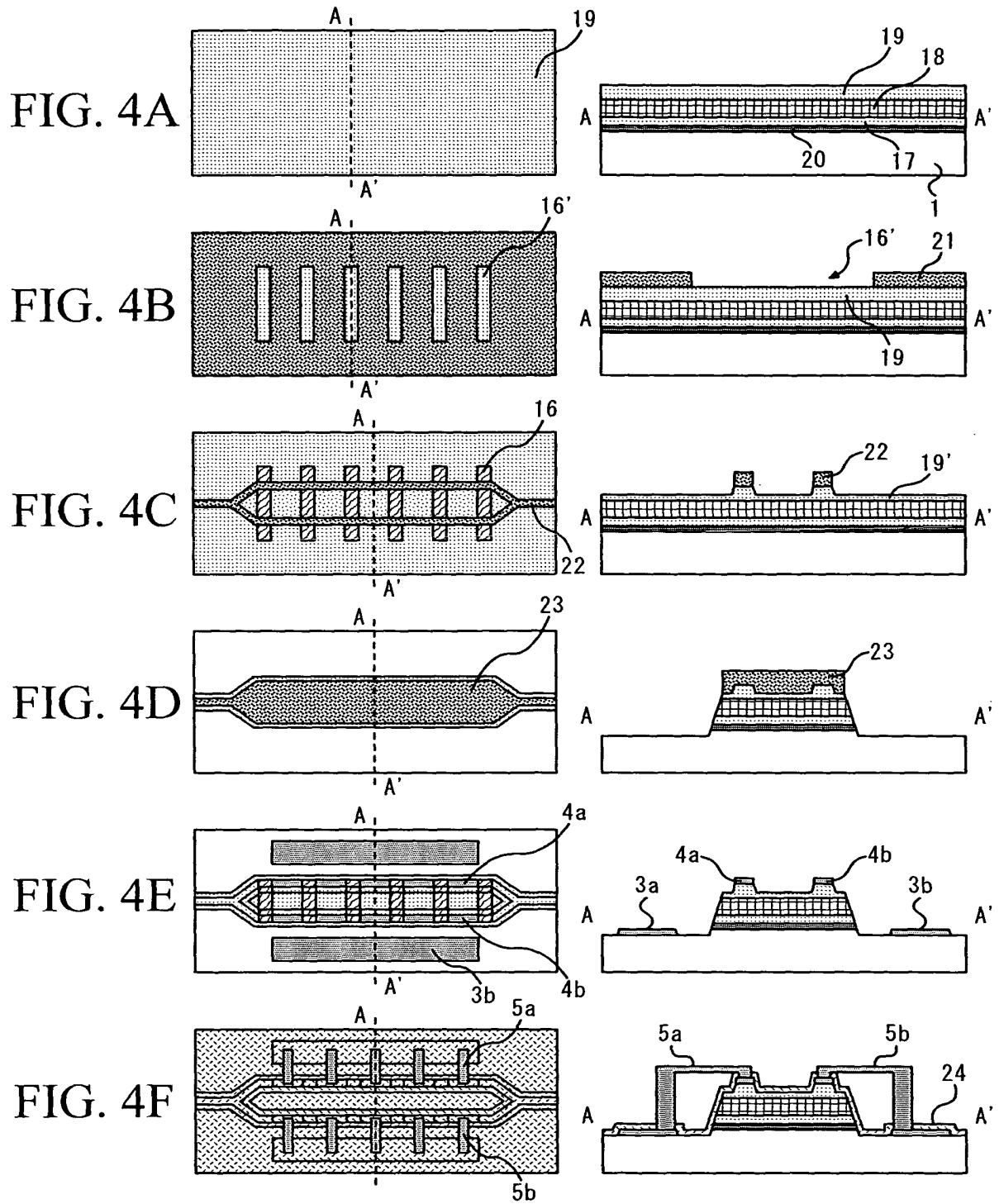


FIG. 5A

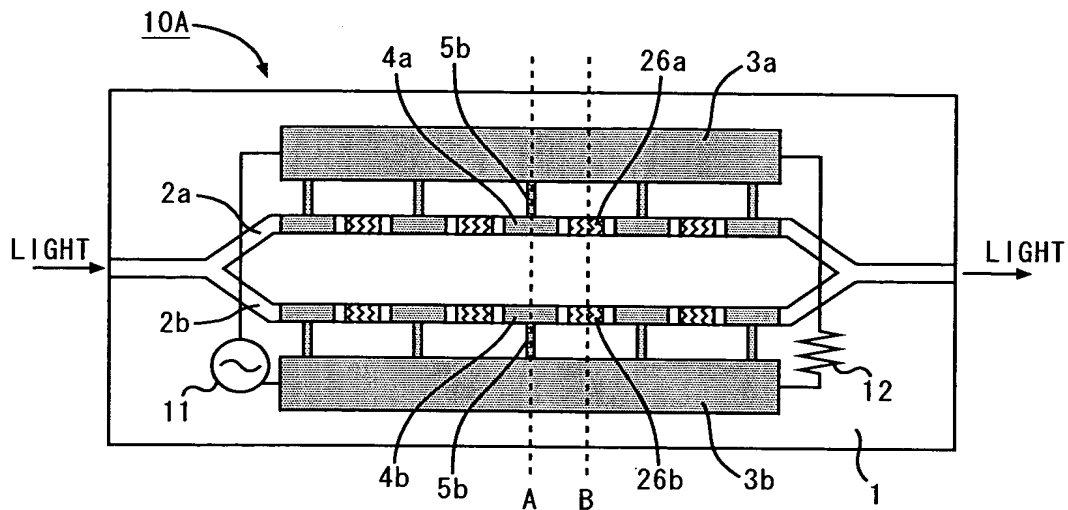


FIG. 5B

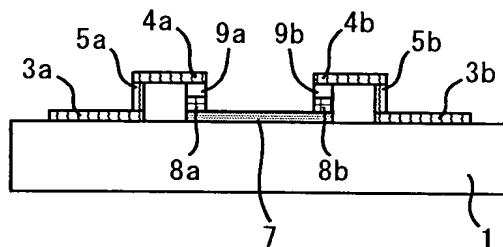


FIG. 5C

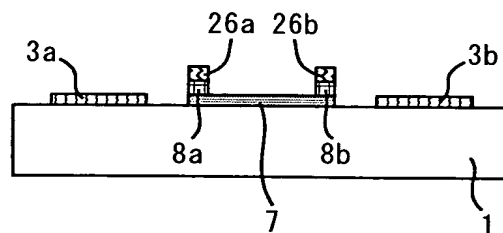


FIG. 6A

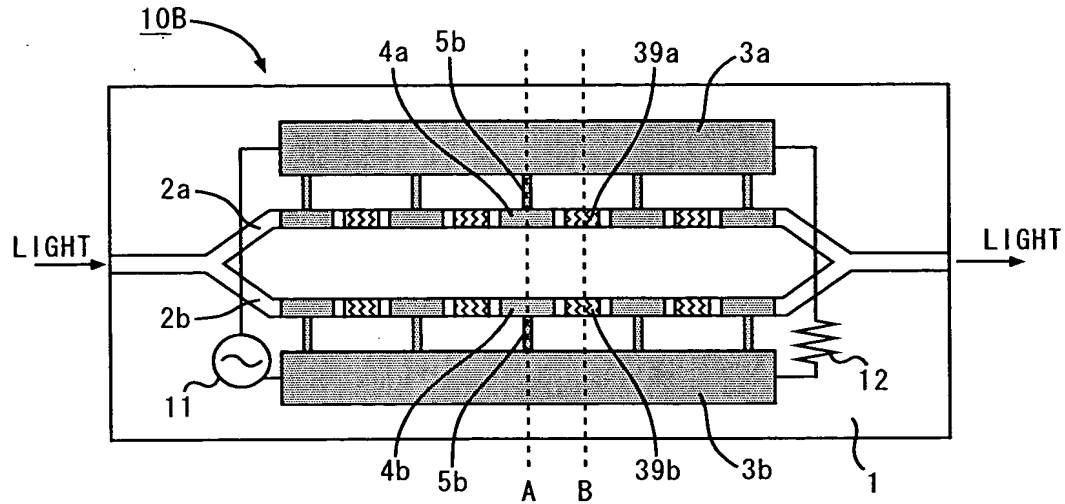


FIG. 6B

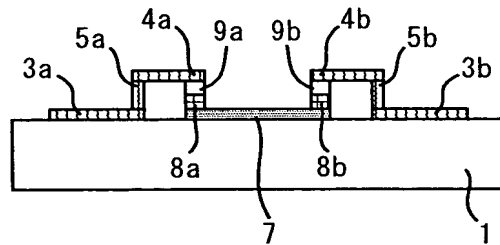


FIG. 6C

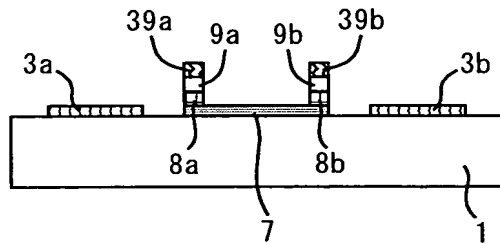


FIG. 7A

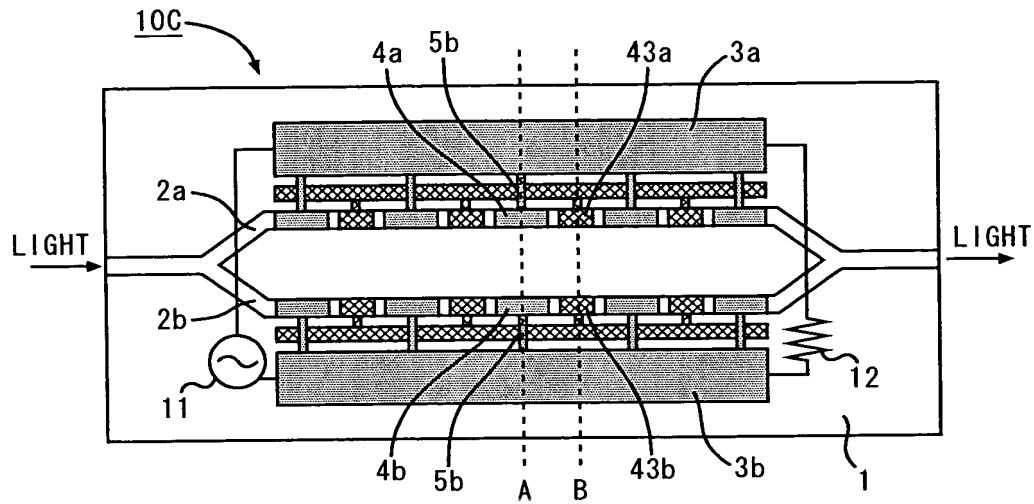


FIG. 7B

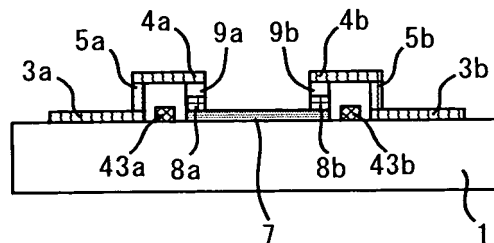


FIG. 7C

